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Date of Interview: 22 May 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Morikawa.


Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Examiner spoke with applicant's attorney regarding the office action dated 4-2-2007. Specifically the rejection of claim 1 was discussed with emphasis on examiner's interpretation of the claim. Discussion followed regarding possible amended claim language that could overcome the Morikawa reference. Specifically language positively reciting the intermixing of the items from the 2 initial sorting regions into an additional region or a unified sorted set was discussed. Applicant's attorney may submit proposed claim language for review prior to submission of an RCE.